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ANOTHER NAPOLEON?

What Became of the \$4,000,000
Raised by Backer?

The Broker's Methods Similar to Those
of Ferdinand Ward.

Customers' Collateral Used for His
Own Purposes.

Judge Harden's Case Thought to Be
Only One of Many.

What has become of the \$4,000,000 which
Abraham Backer, the Broadway stock broker,
who failed two weeks ago, claims to have lost
in his business?

This is the question that is agitating the
business community just at present, and no
explanation has yet been forthcoming, either
from Mr. Backer or his representatives.

It was said in reply by his representatives
that he was one of the largest dealers in com-
mercial paper in town, and that he handled
every year an average of \$10,000,000 of the
best paper in the trade.

It has not appeared that Mr. Backer suf-
fered any loss from the failure of business-
men for whom he negotiated and sold notes,
which might have forced him to make an as-
sessment, the fact of his failure under the
circumstances is one of the most remarkable
features of the case.

According to the statements made at the
time of his failure, Backer was crippled by
the condition of the money market, which, it
was said, made it very difficult to float the
quantity of commercial paper which he gen-
erally handled, and also to the decline in
value of certain Southern railroad bonds, of
which he was a large holder.

With regard to the money market, it may
be said that rates have been easy for a long
time, and so far as the details of the failure
have come to light it does not appear that Mr.
Backer had any difficulty in discounting the
paper of his clients at many of the city banks,
even without the deposit of collateral secu-
rity. At the same time Mr. Backer com-
pelled his customers to furnish collateral with
their notes, which he handled.

The facts which have developed in con-
nection with the arrest of Mr. Backer, which was
first announced in yesterday's *Evening World*,
on the complaint of Judge William
H. Harden, of the Supreme Court, have thrown
the case and bring out some startling fea-
tures.

Among the queries called out by the failure
was one as to whether Mr. Backer had not
been practising some irregularities in his
dealings with his customers, and why a large
quantity of collateral securities pledged to
him with the notes which he sold for his cus-
tomers had mysteriously disappeared.

It was also said that although the paper
had never found its way to the makers of
the notes, his sudden failure had thrown
everything into confusion, and anxious cred-
itors were unable to discover what had become
of their money or their securities.

The suit brought by Judge Harden, how-
ever, gives some insight into Backer's
methods of doing business, and from the
statement made in court yesterday by Mr.
Untermyer, the Judge's lawyer, it would
appear that there are numerous other cred-
itors of the bankrupt note-broker in the same
boat with Judge Harden.

Judge Harden alleges in his affidavit that
on March 14, 1891, he delivered to Backer at
his office, 285 Broadway, a note for \$10,000.
At the same time he delivered to Backer
securities to the value of more than \$10,000,
consisting of debenture bonds of the Central
Railroad and Banking Company, of Georgia,
valued at \$9,700, and certificates of the
Savannah Gaslight Company, valued at \$3,000.
The note was payable on Oct. 1, 1890, but
was renewed from time to time, the last re-
newal coming due on Aug. 12, two days ago.

On July 8 Judge Harden wrote to Backer
about the further renewal of the note, and
was informed in reply that if he would pay
\$2,000 on account and leave the same securi-
ties as collateral, the note could be renewed
for sixty days.

Mr. Backer's failure occurred before this ar-
rangement was carried out, and Judge Har-
den came to town at once to look after his
note and securities.

He found the note at the National Park
Bank and paid it, but none of the securities
had been delivered to Backer or were de-
posited there by Backer when he got the note
discounted.

The Judge made the startling discovery,
however, as he says in his affidavit, that
Backer had deposited his railroad and gas
stock in the Merchants' National Bank to
secure a loan procured by himself for his own
use, and he claimed that Backer had fraud-
ulently and feloniously and with the intent
to deprive him (Judge Harden) of the
right to the ownership in these securities.

POINTERS ON THE RACES.

Tipsters' Opinions on the Various Winners To-Day.

Programme of the Several Events
To Be Run Off.

The Hudson County Jockey Club will con-
tinue its summer meeting at Outenburgh to-
day. Secretary Whitehead has arranged an
excellent card, and some very good racing
should be seen. The track will no doubt be
dry and fast. The entries and conditions of
the first race are as follows:

First Race.—Purse \$500; selling allowance; six
furlongs.
Monroe..... 110
Bodie..... 105
Bodie King..... 101
Bodie King..... 98
Bodie King..... 95

Second Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Third Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Fourth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Fifth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Sixth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Seventh Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Eighth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Ninth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Tenth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Eleventh Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Twelfth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Thirteenth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
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Lafayette..... 101
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Fourteenth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
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Fifteenth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
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Seventeenth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
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Nineteenth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
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Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
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Twentieth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Twenty-first Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
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Twenty-second Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Twenty-third Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Twenty-fourth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

Twenty-fifth Race.—Purse \$500; for two-year-olds.
Lafayette..... 110
Lafayette..... 107
Lafayette..... 104
Lafayette..... 101
Lafayette..... 98

SEARCHING FOR TWO LEOPERS.

Both Tsang Ding and Ong Moy Toy Now in Hiding.

The Health Board Intends Sending
Them to North Brothers Island.

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ing to take summary action in the case of
Tsang Ding, the Chinese leper, and order his
removal to some isolated place whether the
Chinese man was willing to go or not, but Tsang
Ding had evidently made up his mind not to be
caught again.

The officers found his house locked and
Ding could not be found. It is believed he is
in concealment somewhere.

The other leper, Ong Moy Toy, was also re-
sponding to the demand of his friends, the offi-
cials having no authority to detain him.

Ong Moy Toy was spirited away soon as he
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DEATH OF MRS. JAS. K. POLK.

Widow of the Tenth President of the United States.

She Passed Away This Morning at
the Age of Eighty-eight.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 14.—Mrs. James K.
Polk, widow of the tenth President of the
United States, died at 7:30 this morning at
her home in this city.

Mrs. Polk was born in Kentucky on Wednes-
day evening at 7 o'clock on returning from a short
drive, and owing to her extreme age—eighty-
eight years—little hope was entertained of
her recovery.

The trouble was general congestion of the
system. She passed a quiet day yesterday, but
suffered periodic attacks of intense pain.

Last night she grew weaker and steadily
faded until the end came this morning, sur-
rounded by a few loving friends and relatives.

The entire city is giving expressions of pro-
found regret at the passing away of the hon-
ored lady who has graced the community with
her dignified presence for more than half a
century.

Bells throughout the city were
mournfully tolled, announcing the sad event.

Mrs. Sarah Childress Polk was the daugh-
ter of Joel and Elizabeth Childress, and was
born near Murfreesboro, Tenn., Sept. 1803.

Her father was a farmer in easy circum-
stances. She was sent to the Moravian In-
stitute at Salem, N. C., where she was edu-
cated, and returning home still in her teens
married Mr. Polk, who was then a member of
the Legislature of Tennessee.

The following year Mr. Polk was elected to
Congress, and during his fourteen sessions in
Washington Mrs. Polk's courteous manners,
sound judgment and many attainments gave
her a high place in society.

In her last week of life she was the Presi-
dent's guest, and Mrs. Polk devoted herself
entirely to her duties as mistress of the White
House.

She was a devoted wife and mother, and
her connection with that deinstitution until
her death.

She had lived continuously in Nashville in
Polk place from the time of her marriage, ex-
cept when in Washington during the Con-
gressional career of her distinguished hus-
band and while mistress of the White House.

Her death was a great loss to the city, and
her passing was mourned by all who knew her.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock
this morning at the residence of her daughter,
Mrs. J. H. Polk, at 100 Broadway.

The interment will be in the city cemetery.

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NAT GOODWIN'S SIEGE.

The Comedian and His Wife Engaged In Serious Hostilities.

Nat Can't Force His Way into His
West End Avenue Home.

Mrs. Goodwin Claims the House,
and Her Husband Wants
to Sell It.

Three brawny men in their shirt-sleeves re-
sponded this morning to the ring of an Evans-
ton World reporter at the basement door of
220 West End avenue, the charming Queen
Anne home over which Nat Goodwin installed
his prettily wife as mistress in 1888.

The three brawny men listened to what the
caller had to say like men who were on the
defensive, and they replied that Mrs. Nellie
Baker Goodwin was more than half-sick, had
but little sleep last night and was at the
moment weeping in her chamber.

The reporter, who was the Hotel Man,
another at the Launce Club, and still another
at the Hoffman House, were the three who
were placed in the hallways to-day.

He opened an engagement in San Francisco
and left at 10 o'clock, but he would stay to-
morrow.

The French plate windows were shattered
by Nat Goodwin himself, according to the
story of his wife and brother-in-law, who say
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FUNERAL OF EDITOR JONES.

The Service Conducted in All Souls' Church by Rev. Haber Newton.

George W. Childs and Robert Bon-
ner Among the Pall-Bearers.

All Souls' Church, at Madison avenue and
Fifty-sixth street, was crowded this forenoon
with a most distinguished gathering assem-
bled to pay the last tribute of respect to the
remains of Editor George Jones of the Times.
The impressive service at the dead of the
Protestant Episcopal ritual was conducted by
the Rev. R. Haber Newton, rector of the par-
ish of which Mr. Jones was so long a member.

The exercises began shortly after 10 o'clock,
when the body, in a costly polished-oak casket,
with heavy bronze handles, was borne up the
center aisle and placed upon a raised platform
at the head of the church.

The pall-bearers, ten in
number, who preceded the casket were
George W. Childs, of the Philadelphia Ledger;
Robert Bonner, founder of the New York
Ledger; Augustine Smith, an intimate friend
of Mr. Jones; Thomas G. Acton, president
of the Bank of New Amsterdam; John
Scott Boyd, a personal friend of Mr.
Jones; Henry A. Morgan, of Aurora, N. Y., a
Times shareholder; Jacob H. Thompson, of
the Times editorial staff; Theodore L. Peverly,
of the Times business department, and
Editor-in-Chief, Charles R. Miller, of the
Times.

Following the casket came Mrs. Jones, the
bereaved widow, leading upon the arm of her
only son, Gilbert E. Jones, and the remaining
family, including her daughter, Miss Mary
Jones, and her son, Mr. John Jones.